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BUDGETARY THREAT TO BBC. [] called twice to get information for Ambassador Davies and General Camm about the budgetary threat to BBC. Ambassador Davies thought it might be useful if our consumers were polled about the value of the BBC product. I said I thought that this would be premature and of doubtful utility. Since the primary area of coverage, the Soviet Home Service, unquestionably had to be covered for the American Community. Ambassador Davies was aware that the DCI stood ready to approach his counterpart but thought we could also usefully approach the Foreign Office through the State Department. [] reassured me repeatedly that CTS would take no action of any kind without thorough coordination with us, and I promised to keep him fully informed. (cc: C/E&PS, C/Ops) (C)

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